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DIRECTOR'S CORRESPONDENCE,

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March, 1848

18	From,	S. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans La	Encloses a letter from J. Brooks, Comm, relative to the charges of Lyons (See 18th ults).
20	From,	The Same	A communication of further information bearing on the late investigation of the assay of the N. O. gold coinage of '47 & his views on the matter
"	From,	Philo B. Ogden late Comm N.O. Mint Springfield Mass	Expressing his surprise at the charges made by Lyons through Mr Duncan (See 18th ults)
22	From	Hon. D. M. Barringer H. R. Washington 20	Certifies to the ability of the Sureties on W. J. Alexanders bond (See 16)
"	To,	Mr C. Young Asst S. of Navy Washington	Endorses the bond of W. J. Alexander, Sup at Charlotte with my approval, & sends a copy of the above letter
23	To,	W. J. Alexander, Sup Charlotten. C.	That I have approved his bond & sent it to the Department

March 1848

24	Pd,	M. C. Young act. Sec. of Treasy Washington		Enclose the letters of Mr Kennedy & Mr. Brooks in reference to the charges of Lyons (Dec 18th) and express my opinion.
"	Pd,	P. B. Tyler Springfield Mass		In reply to his of the 20th.
27	From,	I. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans	17	Enclosing report of Dr. Hart of an assay of counterfeit gold coin; also a letter to Mr. Mitchell, late a workman, in reference to the charges of Lyons.
28	From,	The Same	18	Enclosing a correspondence between Mr. & R. L himself in relation to the employment, by the former, of his brother as a foreman
29	Pd,	The Same		State my surprise at the result of Dr. Hart's assay of the counterfeit gold coin. Give more particular directions, founded on the experiment of our assayers, & ask a Re-assay. — Approve his letter to Mr. Mitchell.

March, 1848

29 To,

Chambers & White
Charleston

A b. of lading covering 12 carb. nit. acid 1 cask saltpetre for Charlotte

31 From,

I. M. Kennedy Sup
New Orleans 22

Enclos ½ of a Cert.te ½ E. bought to Mint, having no Mark, assayed by Dr. Hart & found to be 900 ‰. — asks if he shall supply a missing date in one of the half Eagles sent to them. Will enclose a statement by a man named Nott founded on facts connected with a trial of some Cert.ts at N. O. 4 or 5 years ago.

April, 1848

4 From, Dr. M. P. Ronzano, New Orleans Mass

A letter to R. S. McCulloh Referred by him to me.

5 From, I. M. Kennedy, Sup. New Orleans 27

Asks in relation to the progress made on the scales for the N. O. B. M.

Refers to their experiments in relation to large deposits of Mex. Dollars, which he suspended to await my views upon his correspondence with Dr Hart (rec'd. 3 Feb). Asks my opinion.

" To, A. D. Bache, Sup. W. & Meas'rs Washington

In relation to the N. O. scales & weights which they are making.

6 From, W. J. Alexander Sup (for W. P. Strange) Charlotte 31

Enclosing report of operations in March & list of assays &c remitted. — will draw on me for $500. in No cupels wanted at this time but do want a Muffle Furnace, assay Rods, Carboy of pure nit. acid, assay weights

Same mail box containing 12 ½ E = $160

April 1848

7	From,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup	New Orleans 25	Orders some black lead pots and inquires as to bricks & tiles heretofore ordered.
8	From,	The Same	30	Account of Lieut Dustin's death & removal.
11	From,	J. R. MacMurdo, Treas	New Orleans 30	Informs me of a draft by him in favor of Benoist & Co for $6,355.15
"	From,	J. F. Cooper, Sup	Dahlonega 4	Report for March and list of Assay Coins. Same mail the package of Coins arrived.
13	From,	A. D. Bache Sup. W. & Meas.	Washington 11	Replies to mine of the 8th that the scales for N. O. are now almost ready to be packed & inquires how they shall be sent. That he can fix no time for the completion of the weights.
15	From,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup	New Orleans 4	Report for March. Same mail Assay Coins of same month.
"	To,	The President		A Report on the defective standard of the New Orleans gold coins of 1847
"	To,	Hon R. J. Walker, S. of T.	Washington	A confidential letter on the same subject

April 1848

17 Do, Jas. F. Cooper, Sup Gainesville Ga — Ack. rcpt & assay coins of March – Defacement of dies makes a correspondence with an Register – Has ordered some Amt. fine covers – Recommend in view of the rent assay that great care be taken in weighing these single pieces.

" Do, W. J. Alexander, Sup. Charlotte N.C. — Ack. rcpt for March assay coins – of the progress in filing their late orders – ask for $300 in same recommendation as to these single pieces (supra)

" Do, Jos. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans — Defective ½ dol. die to be destroyed – of the result of assay of Count. ½ E. on Phil. Mint – their account of dies correct – their scales are about to be sent from Washington – of the title of Mexican dollars and the right of the Assay. to refuse parcels of assay – draft for assay coins paid – blanked pots to go from N. York, & the bricks and tiles will be soon despatched – same Recom. as to single pieces being weighed (supra) this Rcpt & assay coins from Mint here arrived –

April 1848

17	To,	A. D. Bache Sup. Coast Surveys Washington	Informing him how the scale for New Orleans shall be directed.
"	From,	Cresson Fisher & Hes Phil. 17	Enclosing Bill of Post Owns sent to Dahlonega & an account for the same.
20	From,	Jos. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans 10	Enclosing a note from Mr. Nott formr Clerk of N. O. Mint Court in relation to facts which appeared upon a trial of some coin exhibits there – as to the perfection of the dies. Note from Dr. Hunt giving result of his second assay of the Counterfeit ½ Eagle & enclosing a Specimen for us to test.
22	To,	M. Halsey Hes. 182 Watts St, New York	Order 60 blank bindposts No. 60, & 60 of No. 40 for N. O.
25	From,	The Same	Stating what posts he can furnish and if he may send those.
"	To	J. P. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega	Explaining the deferred return of one of his workmen Mr Warwick, now here.

May 1848

4	From,	Wm Haley & Co New York	3	In relation to Blank lead pots for N. Orleans
"	To,	The Same		Ordering a cask of 52 pots no. 60.
"	To,	Chamberlain & White Charleston		Enclosing 10 flad's of articles for Charlotte & Dahlonega.
8	From,	W. J. Alexander, Sup Charlotte	1	Enclosing Report for April also Assay Coins of same month $40.
"	From,	Wm Haley & Co New York	6	Enclosing bill and bill of lading of cask blk lead pots sent to B. & N. Orleans.
9	From,	Jas. F Cooper Sup Dahlonega	2	Report for April with No. 4 of Assay Coins - $25
10	To,	The Same		acknowledging the above. State we have sent them a Supply of Cupels.
"	To,	W. J. Alexander, Sup Charlotte N.C		Ackn. report & assay coins. Ask report of defacement of dies - none since Jan. 1944. Have sent them stone mattresses, fuse acids & cupels. Ask for funds.

May 1848

10	To,	Jos. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans		Enclosing bills of lading for bricks & tiles, cupels & blk lead pots No. 60. No. 40 not procurable. Suggest the orders be given us in time to allow of importation.
11	From,	Albert Mitchell Monmouth Ill.	1	Encloses a copy of the letter rec'd. by him from Mr. Kennedy (See 27 May) and his answer to the same.
"	From,	Hon. R. J. Walker Sec. of Treasury Washington	10	Thinks C. Abert requests me to give him an interview at Washington relative to the U. S. Mint at N. O. business (Directs left on night of the 12th) Rec'd. 14th.
13	From,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup. New Orleans	4	Report for April & box of assay coins. The defective ½ dollar die has been destroyed.
18	From,	The Same	8	Encloses a letter to him from Wm. P. Hart, Assayer, in relation to Surcharge in assays.
22	From,	The Same	13	Encloses Report from U. S. inspector of boilers condemning those in the Mint; also a contract entered into for Replacing them.

May 1848

24	From,	Sec. of Treasury 23	Advises that he will remit me $300 on requisition of Sup. at Charlotte for contingencies.
25	From,	Wm. Selden, Treasurer Washington 24	Enclosing draft as above No. 9638 Treas. Dft. dt. 3666 $300.
"	To,	The Same	Acknowledging it.
"	From,	W. J. Alexander Sup. Charlotte 19	Notifies that he had made a requisition for abv draft. Sends report of defacement of dies.
26	From,	A. D. Bache Sup. Wts & Meas. Washington 23	That finding no vessel is to sail from Balte to N. O. suggest that the scales for B. Mint be sent through Phil.
"	To,	The Same	Recommend the scales to be sent to Penrose & Barton S. Wharves & we will instruct them.
"	From,	Jas. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans 17	Encloses copy of letter from ~~Capt~~ Mitchell (See 11th) asks my opinion on the general subject of his charges and also on the correspondence he sent me as to depart of N. O. Gold at annual allay.

May, 1848

26	L.	Jos. M. Kennedy Supt New Orleans	As to the charges of Mitchell & Lyons that he is in a better position to form a judgment than I am and ask his conclusions. Send copy (in confidence) of my communication to President of 15 ult. in dispute of standard at N. O. Mint.
29	L.	The Same	Enclosing him a copy of my letter of 24 inst. to Sec. of Treas.
30	L.	W. L. Alexander Supt Charlotte N. C.	Acknowledging the Treasy Dft sent on his requisition (See Mr Secty 25) Give our a/c of dis against him, showing 4 dis yet unaccounted for.

June 1848

5	From, I. M. Kennedy. Sup New Orleans 25 May	That the new boilers have been completed & the coining department is again in operation.
6	From W. F. Strange Clerk of Br. Mint, Charlotte, May 31.	Report for May. Deposites. $ 27,387.08 Coinage: 17,025.— Reserve.—$20 viz. 4 half eagles. Asks that the reserve coins be sent quarterly.
7.	From Dr. Wm. P. Hort. Assayer of Branch Mint. N. Orleans	Further report of experiments made to determine the amount of surcharge in gold assays. — See May 18. —
8	To Isr. M. Kennedy, Esq. Sup't Br. Mint. N. Orleans.	In partial ans. to the above letter & that of May 18 th.
8	From Jas. F. Cooper Sup. Br. Mint, Dahlonega, June 1.	Report for May. Deposites. $ 21,677.69 Coinage, 25,642.50 Reserve, 60.—
12	From I. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans 3	Report for May—list of assay coins—& copy of correspond. with the Director as to the location of the new boilers. Orders 25 cash. rec'd. and Same rec'd Br. Mint N.O. 5 assay coins and Remitt

January, 1848

3	To,	Jos. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans	Enclosing a report from Assayer in reference to the deposit lately forwarded by him (See 16 ult.) and stating the proceeds of the same, which have been credited on the books
7	From,	Jos. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans 29	Enclosing his report for Dec. (no Assay Bars known), and also a bill transmitted by ~~de~~ me to Mr. Macmurdo, by mistake, as a Voucher.)
"	From,	W. I. Alexander, Sup Charlotte NC. 31	Enclosing his report for Dec. & advises the remittance of Assay Bars wt. No. 10 for $80.— D. Lyttleton is ordering for some assay weights. Box of Assay Weights reached the Mint.)
"	To,	W. I. Alexander, Sup Charlotte	Acknowledging the above. In returns to his asking for leave of absence (see 20th ult.) the weights will be sent. Also No. 1, ~~Assay~~ Dies containing 2 head ½ Eagle
"	To,	Jas. F. Cooper, Sup. Dahlonega Ga	Advising that we send a pair of ½ Eagle dies Box No. 1 Dies Sent.
"	To,	Jos M Kennedy Sup New Orleans	Transmitting the correct vouchers. Request a duplicate Monthly of assay Bars for November. Acknowledg his rec. this morning.

January 1848.

8	From,	I. R Marmaduke, Treas. New Orleans 30	Advises that he has drawn in favor of Wm P. Kent, for $150. In answer to his letter.
"	To,	Jas. F. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega	Box No. 2, pr. ½ Eagle dies
"	To,	W. D. Alexander, Sup Charlotte	Box No. 2, 2 head ½ Eagle dies.
10	From,	Jas. F. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega Ga 4	Report for December & list of Assay Coins sent $92.50 Also table of Dep. Coin. for the year, and of Coins sent through the year. Will take 3000 cards from Mr. Hare
"	To,	The Same	Dies No. 3, pr. ½ Eagles
"	To,	W. D. Alexander Sup: Charlotte	Dies No. 3, pr. 12½ Eagles
11	To,	The Same	Dies no. 4, pr. 1¼ ~~head~~ Eagle
"	To,	Jas. F. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega	Dies No. 4, pr. ¼ Eagle

January, 1848

11	Do.	Jos. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans	Confidential. In relation to the probable resignation of Dr. Riddell &c State that a Beam for their weigh Room is nearly finished at Washington
"	Do	A. O. Bache Supt. Wts & Meas. Washington	In reference to above beam Ask if they can furnish a set of standard wts for N. O Mint
12	Do.	Jas. F. Cooper Sup Dahlonega	Pr. ¼ Eagle dies No. 5.
13	From,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans 4	Enclosing the Coins & Mettage accounts for 1847, and list of Assay Coins for December Same mail Box Assay Coins No. 12.
"	Do	Jas. F. Cooper Sup Dahlonega	Box No 6 dies ¼ Eagle
14	From,	M. C. Young, Auditor Treas. Dept Washington 13	In relation to a requisition from Sup. N. O. for water entrance to be applied to contingent expenses of the new fiscal year
15	Do.	The Same	In reply.

January, 1848

17	Lrs.	A. D. Bache Sup. Wts. & Meas. Washington 15	In reference to the beam for N. O. Mint & Series of Wts.
"	L.	The Same	On the same Subject.
20	Lrs.	M. C. Young Asst. Y. of Tr. Washington 19	On the explanations in mine of the 14th has authorized the transfer for B'M N.O.
21	L.	Chambers & White Charleston	B. of E. of muffles for Charlotte.
25	Lrs.	I. W. McCulloh, Compt'r Washington 24	Enclosing voucher & a letter from Sup't at Charlotte in Reference to an item charged for watching the Mint. Asks question of me regarding it
"	Lrs.	W. J. Alexander, Sup (per W. J. Strange) Charlotte 19	Assayer desires a new bolt the shank of this having been broken. In reference to this assay weights. Acknowledges 4 pair of dies.
4	Lr.	I. W. McCulloh Comptroller Washington	In reply to his letter rec'd. this day.

January, 1848

27 From, J. M. Kennedy, Esq. New Orleans, 18 Forwarding a duplicate mem. of any Cmds received in November.

February, 1848

3	From,	Jos. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	25	Enclosing dups. assay slips from bars 182 of silver deposite No. 8. Encloses a correspondence on the subject of the title reported, between himself & Dr Hart
4	To,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans		Giving the results of assays of the above. Approves his course as exhibited in following letter
"	From,	Same		Forwarding a letter containing newspaper articles in relation to a counterfeit gold coin.
4	From,	Dr. W. P. Hart, Assayer New Orleans		On the subject of the title of so called Mexican dollars.
7	From,	Jos. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans	28	In reply to mine of 11th ultc. on subject of contemplated resignation of Dr Riddell.
"	From,	Wm I Alexander, Sup Charlotte	31	Report and assay Coins for January.
9	From,	I. F. Bowyer, Dahlonega	3	Same tenor. Assay Coins arrived.

February, 1848

10	From,	Dr. W. P. Hort, Assayer New Orleans	31	That the controversy in reference to title of Mexican Dollars had been amicably settled, and an order given by the Treasurer which will ensure correct[illegible]
14	From,	I. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans	4	Report for January with list of Assay Coins sent
15	From,	The Same		Box of Assay Coins, No. 1
16	From,	The Same	6	Requests some cupels. Encloses B Bkg for silver dollars from Depositr No. 8.
18	From,	Mr. C. C. Young, acto. S. of T. Washington	17	Encloses copy of a letter from P. I. Durant, U.S. Atty for Louisa in which a conversation with C. C. Lyon, former assayer, is detailed bearing upon the question of the Counterfeit gold coins from N. O.
"	To,	The Same		That I enclose a copy of the above letter to the Sup't
"	To,	I. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans		Enclosing a copy of the above letter from Mr. Durant for his action.

18	To,	J. M. Kennedy, Supt New Orleans	On the subject of the defect of fineness in three gold coins reported to the President by the Assay Commrs. Present a series of questions for him on the subject & also a table of the results of all the assays.
17	To,	Mr. Chilton Young	See U.S. Mint Book on the above subject.
21	From,	The Same	A private letter on the same subject.
23	To,	J. M. Kennedy, Supt. New Orleans Jas. P. Cooper, Supt Dahlonga	Acknowledging his report for January & the assay Coins. Give report of their assay for 1847.
"	To,	W. J. Alexander, Supt Charlotte	Of same tenor. Ask what amount of cupels they wish.
24	To,	J. M. Kennedy, Supt New Orleans	In reply to his Rec'd. 16th state that we send 500 cupels & will prepare more. That the silver shipped to us has arrived safe. Acknowledge his report for January & the Assay Coins.

February 1848

29	Lo/	J. M. Kennedy Esqr New Orleans	Giving the results of the Assays of their deposits sent per Natchez (See 16)

March 1848

2	From,	Mr. C. Young Adj. S. of Tr. Washington	1	Enclosing copy of a letter from S. T. Durant U.S. Dist. Atty La in relation to forgery of gold coin
"	Do,	The Same		State that I have referred the whole subject to the Sup. N. O. – give two further reasons why the suspicions of Mr. Durant are probably unfounded.
"	Do,	I. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans		Enclose copy of Mr. Durants letter. ask Dr. Ant to assay the gold upon this 1/4 Eagle counterfeit.
6	Do,	The Same		My a/c for quarter ending 29th ult.
"	Do,	to. I. Alexander, Sup Charlotte		Same tenor
"	Do,	Jas. F. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega		Same tenor
7	From,	The Same	29	Enclose a newspaper paragraph correcting an error which has arisen as to wastage in the Mint Gives an a/c showing the wastage since operations commenced, showing a net gain by wastage.

March 1848

6	From,	Jas. F. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega	2	Report for Feb. – list of assay Coins sent – Statement of dies defaced Same day the assay Coins arrived Says that usual compliment of last days coined not be sent hereafter
"	From,	W. J. Alexander, Sup (A. P. Sharpe) Charlotte	28	Report for Feb. – and assay Coins received. Gives some orders to purchase arter- dies.
"	From,	A. B. Guild Columbia S.C.	3	Inquiries as to the value of Mint Scraps, referring to some reports as to proceeds of that from Dahlonega
9	Do,	The Same		Give particulars of the sale of the Dahlonega Scraps
"	Do,	Jas. F. Cooper Sup Dahlonega		Acknowledging his letters rec'd 7 & 8th
"	Do,	W. J. Alexander Charlotte		Acknowd. his Rec'd. 8th
10	From,	The Same		That he had rec'd. the confirmation of the Senate & will send on on a few days his official bonds.

March 1848

10	From,	J. M. Kennedy, New Orleans 29	Acknowledg[s]. mine of 18 ult[o].
13	From,	J. M. Kennedy New Orleans 3	Reports for Feb. with coin's receipt Same mail Box No. 2 Assay Coins — $120.4
16	From,	W. J. Alexander, Sup[t] Charlotte 10	Enclosing his official bond as Supt. for $10,000; Sureties Thomas J. Grier, Miles B. Abernathy, W. P. Davidson, B. Shipp.
"	From,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup[t] New Orleans 7	In reply to mine of 18 Feb. gives letter from Assayer, Melter & Refiner & Treasurer upon the subject, and also sends the assayers Reports of Gold melted for the year.
"	To,	Hon. D. M. Barringer M. C. R. Washington	Ask his opinion as to the sufficiency of the sureties to W. J. Alexanders bond.
17	From,	W. P. Hort, Assayer New Orleans 8	In relation to the result of the late annual assay of U. S. gold coin, requests permission to resign rather than be removed, if the latter should be determined on.

September, 1849

13 From, S. V. Merrick, Philad.a 13 — Enclosing me a letter from a gentleman resident in Dahlonega Ga., who asks of Mr. Merrick to procure my influence in effecting the appointment of the writer to succeed Mr. Mason as Assayer at Dahlonega

" To, The Same — That Mr. Mason is a highly competent officer, and I can take no steps for his removal. On political grounds his dismissal would be without a precedent in the history of the Mints

19 From, John Brooks, Comm.r N.O.B.M. Springfield Mass 17 — Respecting the milling machine he proposes getting. Asks Mr. Peale to send a pattern

24 From, L. F. Cooper, Dahlonega 15 — Repl.y to mine of 7 t. Mr. Redding, gives the annual estimates & list of assay Comm.rs of July

" From, A. W. Redding, Sup.t Dahlonega 14 — That there being some difficulty made by Mr. Cooper to resigning his place to him, in default of orders from the Department, had requested Mr. Cooper to repl.y to my letter of 12th

25 To, The Same — Hope he is by this time inducted into office. Approves his referring the subject by letter to Mr. Cooper.

October, 1849

1 From, A. W. Redding, Sup Dahlonega 25 Sep. 49 — Enclosing bond & oath of Henry B. Williams appointed Clerk in place of Mr. Gresham. Transfer to be made on 1st Oct.

" To, Sec. of Treasy — Forwarding the bond with any approval

2 From, J. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans 24 — Enclosing account of sales of swamps left by late Mr. Re-finier at New Orleans.

3 From, Jno. Brooks, Comr N.O.B.M. — In reference to the patting asked for in his of 19th ult.o Springfield Ms. 1st

4 From, W. F. Strange Clk Charlotte N.C 27 Sep — W. Osborne buy about the estimates will not be sent till his return.

" From, Sec. of Treasy [enclosed in the following] — Referring to me, for my opinion, a suspended item in the a/c of W. J. Alexander, late Sup. at Charlotte, for building a watch house for the watchmen.

5 To, The Same — That I cannot reply till I hear from the present Sup.r in answer to certain inquiries which I have made of him.

October 1849

5	To,	Jas. W. Osborne, Sup Charlotte n.c.	Requesting the inquiries above referred to. Asks what number of leads & caps they will need.
"	From,	The Same Charlotte Sep 29	Enclosing the estimates, with an explanation.
"	From,	Jas. F. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega 29	Enclosing Report for Sept. Makes some remarks on closing his official connection with me.
"	To,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans	Enclosing Bills of Lading for buckets, leg glues & 8 casks of acid [See letter rec'd 1 Sept]
9	From,	The Same N. O. 30 Sep.	Enclosing Estimates for the service of N. O. Br Mt for 1850-51
"	From,	Chambers & White Charleston S.C. 3	Accompanying B/L of skins from Charlotte. (See [the skins arrived]
12	To,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans	Refer to mine of 5th stating that we prefer in part the requisition in his of Sept. 1st. Explain that I have not purchased the articles asked of D. Barnums, for "analytical & experimental ~~analyses~~"
12	From,	The Same	Report for Sept. & assay Coins. Respecting their repairs

October, 1849

15	From,	A. W. Redding, Sup Dahlonega	8	Enclosing list of articles required for the Mint. Respecting instructions – Rect for Assay Coins &c
17	From,	E. Whittlesey Comptroller Washington	16	Respecting "instructions" to Mr. Redding, Supt. at Dahlonega
"	To,	The Same		I will give such instructions as Mr. Redding asks for – though surprised that he should need them – with the laws, correspondence, and information of fellow officers at his command
18	To,	A. W. Redding, Sup Dahlonega		Acknowd. his rec'd 15. Requisitions shall be attended to. Instructions given upon certain points, and copy of laws sent. – Do not understand the "Rect for Assay Coins" alluded to by him
"	From,	Sec. of Treasury	17	Enclosing a requisition made by Mr. Kennedy – asks my opinion as to the necessity & estimates for certain "extraordinary" improvements
"	To,	The Same		Giving my opinion as to the necessity of the improvements. Have no means of judging as to the reasonableness of the estimated cost

October 1849

20	From, Jas. W. Osborne, Sup Charlotte N.C. 13		In reply to mine of 5th – is of opinion that the out house built by his predecessor was necessary. 2½ of lead is needed – & assay weights
"	To, See. of Treasury		Give my opinion in reply to his rec'd 4 & 5 that the out house built by Mr. Alexander was necessary, & would have been allowed if first asked for.
22	From, J. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans 12		Encloses his communication to Sec. of Treas'y requesting permission for "extraordinary" improvements
"	To, The Same		That I had before rec'd his communication which was referred to me by Sec. of Treas'y (see 18) Give extract from my reply. Inquire as to the estimate for the pavement, which appears very high.

November, 1849

5	From	J. McKinney, Sup New Orleans	Enclosing 2 Eagles of private coinage of California, & a report of assay thereof by Dr Hunt. Asks if the public shall be cautioned against them.
7	From	J. N. Osborne per W. F. Strange Charlotte 1	Report for Oct. & assay coins. Requests assay & speedy remission of this new deposite. Also 12 canvas pieces asked.
9	From	A. W. Redding, Sup Dahlonega 3	Report & assay coins for Oct.
13	From	J. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans 3	Enclosing Report for Oct. No coinage & assay coins. Has rec'd no Remittance for Repairs &c. (See 18 ult.)
15	From	Jno. D. Field, jr Coins B. M. Dahlonega Nov. 1	Requesting that the coins made during his term of office may be tested, at the annual assay, separately from those of his successor in office
21	From	J. N. Osborne, Sup Charlotte N. C	Ack's his report rec'd 7th. Encloses memo. of his deposite of silver, which will be returned by steamer

November, 1849

22	From, Elisha Whittlesey Comptroller Washington 21		Endorsing for my approval the bond of R. H. Moore, as Comr at Oakhonga
"	To, He Same		Returning the bond with my approval
23	From, J. M. Osborne, Supt Charlotte N.C. 17		That he has made a requisition in my favor for $300,— asks for 1 carboy sulphuric acid
"	From, John Brooke Comr N. O. P. H. Present		A receipt for the dies for the N. O. P. H. for 1850
24	From, Sec. of Treasury 23		That a draft for $300 in my favor has been ordered in pursuance of the requisition of the Supt. at Charlotte
26	From, R. Selden, Treas. U.S. Washington 24		Enclosing the draft above referred to. Receipt returned to Mr. S.
27	To, J. M. Kennedy, Supt New Orleans 7		In reply to his recd 5th enclosing the California Circ. Give our views as to cautioning the public against them.

November, 1849

28 To, Chambers White, Charleston — B/L 7 articles for Oaklimeza

" To, A. M. Redding, Supt Oaklimeza — That the articles ordered by him, with some exceptions are now sent. Recommends purchases in Charleston as far as practicable. Ackd. his report & assay cmd.

15 Pres, J. M. Kennedy, Supt New Orleans 5 — Curling list 7 articles required for furnishing a Sub Treasury room at this Mint, ask that I may endeavor to procure the Secy's consent to their purchase, they are requested of him.

28 To, The Same — In reply — declining to interfere in any affair relating to the Asst. Treas'y

December

7	From, H. C. Cammack Late Treas. New Orleans Nov. 28	Respecting a letter which he had addressed to Rob. White of Br. Mc. N. O., placed in the P. O. there. Now having reached its destination, enquires whether it was sent by mistake to this Mint. Answered on the 11th.
10	From A. W. Redding Sup. Br. Mt. Dahlonega, Ga.	Report and returned assay coins for November.
"	From Jas. W. Osborne Sup. Br. Mt., Charlotte.	Report & returned assay coins for November.
11	To A. W. Redding.	Answer to the above, & quarterly account.
"	To Jas. W. Osborne	Answer to the above, & quarterly account.
12	From Jos. M. Kennedy, Sup. Br. Mt., New Orleans, La.	Report & returned assay coins for November. &c.
13	To Jos. M. Kennedy.	Answer to the above. Quarterly account ending Nov. 30. — Formula for our Annual report.
25	From A. W. Redding Sup. Br. Mt. Dahlonega, Ga.	In answer to mine of the 11th.

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to contain Assay Coins from Charlotte Mint

Dahlonega	20.00	Wm E DuBois
N. Orleans	120.00	Wm E DuBois
Charlotte	20.00	Wm E DuBois
Dahlonega	35.00	Wm E DuBois
Charlotte	40.00	Wm E DuBois
N. Orleans	120.00	Wm E DuBois
Charlotte	60.00	J. R Eckfeldt
Dahlonega	65.00	J. R Eckfeldt
New Orleans	42.00	J. R Eckfeldt
Charlotte	40.00	J. R Eckfeldt
Dahlonega	25.00	J. R Eckfeldt
New Orleans	54.00	J. R Eckfeldt
Charlotte	20	J. R Eckfeldt
Dahlonega	60	J. R Eckfeldt
New Orleans	22	J. R Eckfeldt
Charlotte	60	Wm E DuBois
Dahlonega	40	Wm E DuBois
N. Orleans	60	Wm E DuBois
Charlotte	20	J. R Eckfeldt
Dahlonega	40	J. R Eckfeldt
N. Orleans	56.	Wm E DuBois
Charlotte	20	Wm E DuBois
Dahlonega	70	Wm E DuBois
New Orleans	38	Wm E DuBois
New Orleans	40	J. R Eckfeldt
Dahlonega	122.50	J. R Eckfeldt
Charlotte	40.00	J. R Eckfeldt
New Orleans	46.00	J. R Eckfeldt
Dahlonega	50.00	Wm E DuBois
Charlotte	60.00	Wm E DuBois
New Orleans	72.00	J. R Eckfeldt
Dahlonega	85.00	J. R Eckfeldt
Charlotte	80.00	Wm E DuBois
New Orleans	24.50	J. R Eckfeldt

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June 1848

12	Ps,	I. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	Acknowledgt. of above & past letting. Approve his conduct as to the bidders. — ask him to notify me if he should learn of any persons whom we may entrust this duty for 1849.
13	Ps,	W. I. Alexander, Sup Charlotte	Acknowledging his of Rec'd. 6th. Suppose that the assay can't be sent monthly & suggest the plan adopted by Dahlonega Mint.
"	Ps,	James F. Cooper, Sup Dahlonegah	Acknowledging his Rec'd. 5th
15	Trans,	I. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	Ordering 5 kgs cents & 300 pounds copper for alloy.
19	Ps,	The Same	Sending bills of lading for 25 carboys Nt. and 5 kgs of cents.
20	Ps,	The Same	Bid lad. for 300 lbs copper. Request to replenished in funds.
"	Trans,	W. I. Alexander, Sup Charlotte 14	In response to deficit in dies accounted for in my letter of 30th ult. asks also the pot annealed ordered by him.

June 1848

20	To,	W. S. Alexander, Sup Charlotte	Right that the dis cannot be accounted for. That the pat cans were sent on 3d inst.
24	To,	Pimroe & Barton 38 S. Wharves	Ask whether a box for B. M. N. Orleans has been Remitd from Washington
26	From,	The Same	Replying in the negative
"	To,	A. D. Backe Sup Co. & Mens Washington.	Adverting to his rec. 26 May give the above information
30	From,	The Same	That the seals had been sent via Balte.

July, 1848

3	From,	J. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans June 23		Enclosing letter from Assayer & Treasurer; also enclosing with comments from Assays — all bearing on the question of the correctness of assays.
6	From,	W. J. Alexander Sup Charlotte N.C. 30		Report & assay coins for June. Refers to the question of missing dies.
8	From,	J. F. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega	1	Report & assay coins for June. Orders supply of round sand crucibles.
9	From,	J. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	29	Orders some weights to weigh individual coins. Refers to leave of absence given to Mr. Brooks.
17	From,	The Same	7	Report for June with list of assay coins; also receipt for Copper shipped to us per Bark Nashua
18	From,	The Same		The box of assay coins.
20	To,	The Same		The weights for assay coins are ready for adjustment. Acknowledges the Report & coins.
"	To,			

July 1848

20	To,	Jas. P. Cooper Sup Dahlonega Ga	Acknowledg. his report with assay cards. The round sand crucibles will be sent.
"	To,	W. J. Alexander Sup Charlotte	Ackno. report & cards. as to missing dies showing a misinterpretation of my letter of 30 May. Rolls for assayer have been sent.
31	From,	Val. M. N. Hodgson Dahlonega Ga	In view of a probable vacancy in the Comiship at ~~Ga~~ Dahlonega by the resignation or death of present incumbent announces himself as a candidate.
"	To,	The Same	Acknowledging the above & stating that I shall bear his claims in mind.
"	To,	Jas. P. Cooper Sup Dahlonega	Ask some questions as to the condition of their corner, & applicants for his place should it become vacant.
"	To,	Chambers & White Charleston	Enclose bill of L. for some crucibles sent to Dahlonega.

August 1848

7	From,	Wm. J. alexander Sup Charlotte N.C 31	Enclosing Report for July & assay Coins received in the same month. Mentions the sickness of the assayer & the Coiner & that he has requested the Sec. of Treasy to allow of a suspension of operations during the sickly season
9	From,	Jas. P. Corpn Sup Dahlonega 3	Report & Coins returned in July
10	From,	Hon. R. J. Walker Sec. of Treasy Washington 8	Enclosing a letter received from Sup. at Charlotte & stating that he has given him leave to suspend operations in Sept. if I approve of it
"	To,	The Same	That I approve of the suspension, but that as the limitation to September, arose from a misapprehension of Sec'y I have made it to commence at once at discretion of Sup't unless disapproved by Sec. Sup's letter returned.
"	To,	Wm. J. Alexander Sup Charlotte N.C	Leave to suspend operations at once unless Sec. shall disapprove.

August, 1848.

14	From,	L. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans	4	Report for July - list of assay coins - 2 ofs of M. & R. Horner. Same mail box of assay coins.
15	From,	W. J. Alexander, Sup Charlotte	8th	Computes assays of July depositis. asks for a Bulletin Register.
16	From,	Jas. F. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega Ga	10	In reply to my letter of 31 ult. in relation to the illness of the coiner &c
18	From,	L. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans	9	Explaining why he has not yet remitted funds to me in reply to mine of 20 June.
19	From,	The Same	10	Informs me that $5000 will be remitted to me by Mr Macmurdo.
"	From,	Lelotes H Mason Dahlonega	12	Informing me of the declining health of his father D. H. Mason, Coiner Dahlonega & requests my influence to procure him the Succession ship.

August 1848

29	Prim,	J. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans 20	Communicating a copy of letter addressed by him some time since to Sec. of Navy in reference to some alterations he wished in the spring regulations. Having received no reply (though promised) asks me to write to Sec. in relation thereto.

September 1848

2	From,	Wm J. Alexander Sup't assay Cm's. Charlotte 2 Sep	Sends report for Aug. Will close on 26th ult. 2nd Oct.— Assayers vols not arrived.
"	Do,	The Same	Acknowledging above, and informing him that the vols were sent on 10th July.— Ask what dies they need for '49
"	From,	Jas. F. Cooper Sup Dahlonega 26	Requests 2 tail & Eagle dies. Have remind the cm- ulus
"	Do,	The Same	Acknowledg his letter. dies sent same day in Box marked No 1. Have & ask what dies they re- quire for '49
"	From,	R. B. Lewis Dahlonega 26	Recommending Mr. Hodg- son to succeed Mr Bratton as Coiner.
5	From,	R. A. Moore Dahlonega 28	Same tenor.

September 1848

6	From,	A. F. Cooper, Sup. Dahlonega Aug 31	Announces the death of David H. Mason, Coiner of the Branch Mint &c. His duties were performed till his death by his son in law Jno D. Field jr, but all the coining operations are now necessarily suspended. Encloses notice to Officers & workmen on subject of the death.
"	From,	V. M. H. Hodgson	A personal visit. Is from the Dahlonega Mint and an applicant for the Coinership
"	From,	Jno D. Field jr.	From the Dahlonega Mint. A personal visit on the same object. Leaves a note from Mr. Cooper certifying to the ability with which he had performed the Coiners duties in absence of Mr. Mason
"	To,	President U. S.	Announcing the death of Mr Mason and the necessity for speedily filling his place.
"	To,	Sec. of Treasury	Enclosing a copy of letter to the President; states that Dr. Z. H. Mason, V. M. Hodgson, J. D. Field jr are candidates for the vacant place; gives such information as I have in regard to them & states that I will write to Mr Cooper

September 1848

7	From,	V. McA. Hodgson, Dahlonega Aug. 30	Mailed before Mr. H's departure. Announcing death of Mr. Mason, and in regard to his own qualifications to succeed him.
"	From,	Mrs. E. A. Mason, Dahlonega 31	The widow of Mr. Mason, the late Coroner. Prays me to give my influence to procure the Coronership for her son Lebbeus H. Mason – in consideration of his ability and the aid he can give the family.
"	To,	I. F. Cooper, Sup. Dahlonega Ga	Forwarding my account for the quarter ended 31 Aug. – Ask for Estimates. – Have given notice of death of Mr. Mason to President & Secretary. Request him to name his choice of the candidates.
"	To,	W. J. Alexander, Sup Charlotte NC.	Forwarding my a/c for the quarter ended 31 Aug. and requesting their Estimates for next fiscal year.)
9	From,	Jas. F. Cooper Sup Dahlonega 2	Report for August & assay coins.

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9	From,	S. R. Macmurdo, Treas. New Orleans 30 ays.	Respecting the cents forwarded to him some time ago. Enclosing a draft of $5000 for the amount
"	To,	The Same	My account for Quarter ended 31 ult. Acknowledge his Rec? this morning with the draft.
13	From,	J. I. Singleton Dahlonega 5	In reference to filling the vacancy in the Township
"	From,	Chambers & White Charleston 7	In reference to an Assay furnace shipped to Charleston in a vessel which being injured he is required to sign an average bond.
"	To,	Same	Giving the particulars required.
14	From,	J. M. Kennedy Sup. New Orleans 4	Enclosing report for August & list of assay coins remitted. Asks if they would be justified in suspending with $800,000 due to deposites. By same mail arrived the box of Assay Coins

September, 1848

14	To,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans	Acknowledging the above. Refer to his rec. 29 ult. in regard to certain alterations in the Mint Building & state why I have not written to the Secretary on the subject. Refer to deficiency in the Contingent Approp. Could not advise their suspension at present. Ask for their estimates.
"		N. Orleans Dies of 1849	A receipt from John Brooks Coiner for these dies, is on file of this date.
16	From,	The "Union"	Official notification of the appointment of John D. Field, jr as Coiner of the Branch Mint, Dahlonega.
19	From,	J. F. Cooper Sup Dahlonega 12	States the dies they will require for 1849. On the subject of the vacant Coinership
"	From,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans 8	Respecting scales for the Assay Department to be made at Washington. As to the balance sent for the Treasurer's Office.

September 1848

19	D°,	J. J. Singleton Dahlonega	In reply to his remind 13 that the appointment made by the President precludes my undertaking myself to offer to Recommend a candidate for the Cadetship at Charlotte.
20	D°,	L. T. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega	Stating that Mr. Hodgson will leave here to-morrow with their dies for 1849. (Mr. Hodgson's receipt for the same is endorsed in copy of above letter.)
23	D°,	Chambers & White Charleston	Forwarding Bkd of Qud Registry for Charlotte.
25	From,	L. T. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega 18	Forwarding their Estimates for 48-49
26	D°,	W. J. Alexander, Sup Charlotte	Informing that their dies for 1849, 3 p/s half Eagles & 3 p/s quarter eagles, are sent this day by Mr. Rogers.
27	From,	I. W. Carder & Sons Dahlonega 18	Recommending John D. Field for Cadetships at Dahlonega.
"	D°,	Sec. of Treasury Washington	Enclosing the above.

October 1848

2	From,	J. W. McCulloh 1st Comptroller Washington	5. 29	Making inquiry as to certain undrawn balances to credit of A. D. Dahlonega & Charlotte B. M., and whether they are not proper to be transferred to the Surplus Fund
5	To,	The Same		Giving reasons why the above balances should go to Surplus Fund as Comptroller suggests.
11	From,	J. F. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega Ga	3	Enclosing the official bond of Lts. D. Field jr as Cassr. Wishes pure acid
"	To,	Sec. of Treasury Washington		Enclosing the above bond with my approval
12	From,	J. F. Cooper Sup Dahlonega	5	Acknowledging receipt of this dist for 1847. Also enclosing Report of deposits in September. No Coinage
13	From,	Jno Brooks, Cassr New Orleans	2	Reports his safe arrival with the dies.

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13	To,	Jas. F. Cooper Sup. Dahlonega		Acknowledging his two last letters. That I have sent bond to Secy & will forward a Carby of pure muriatic acid
19	From,	Jo. M. Kennedy Sup. New Orleans	7	Report for Sept. & list of Assay Coins. Mr. Marshall, Agent from the Treas'y Dept has been making an examination. Same day Assay Coins arrived
21	From,	W. J. Alexander, Sup. Charlotte	14	Giving the Estimates for 1849-50. Acknowledging Receipt of dies. Orders 75 lbs copper for alloy, 1 Cop. pan for washing strips, 2 Ds. for washing Sweeps, 8 bads for parting, 12 Bk ld pots Nos 10
23	From,	J. M. Kennedy Sup. New Orleans	13	A/s with their Comm & M. Shipman for Sept. Estimate for 1849-50 Acknowledgment of Receipt of dies

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3	From,	I. F. Cooper, Sup Oaklonega	2	Report for Oct. with package of Assay Coins.
9	From,	W. J. Alexander Sup Charlotte	2	Report & coins for October. Orders 12 cash. std. and, 1 cash. sub. and, 10 blk ld pcs No. 25, 30 of 30, & 10 of 35, and 800 lb zinc.
15	From,	A. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	6	Report & Coins for October, also ofs with the guarlic Officers
"	Do,	The Same		Acknowledging the above & past letters.
"	Do,	I. F. Cooper Sup Oaklonega		Acknowledging last letter, & Assay Coins.
"	Do,	W. J. Alexander Sup Charlotte N.C.		Same Letter.
18	From,	A. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	8	That they are suffering great inconvenience from the neglect of the department at Washington to remit their contingent appropriation for 1847 & 1st quar. 1848, as he has long ago requested.

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18	To,	The Sec. of Treas'y		Forward an extract from above letter. Supposing the delay may have grown out of the investigation into the M. & R's case, shew that his wastage claimed is within the limit of law, ~~and~~ &c. &c.
21	From,	J. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans, 10		Enclosing a correspondence with the Melters & Refiners, relative to his raw total attendance at the Mint.
"	To,	Chambers, Webb & Co Charleston S.C.		Enclosing bills of Lading of ~~a~~ articles for Exchanges &c Charlotte, sundry parts, & copper, specie for the Latter Mint.
23.	To,	Sec's. of Treasury		On the subject of the above correspondence returns Sup. & M. & R. &c New Orleans &c. &c.
24	To,	J. M. Kennedy Sup. New Orleans		Giving the substance of my letter to the Secy of the 18th & 23 inst's
27	From,	Sec. of Treasury Washington 25		Notifying me of a warrant for $310 issued in my favr for Contingencies of the Br. Mint Charlotte.

November 1848

29	Treas.	W. Selden, Treas. Washington 27	Forwarding Pay Off 1428 on Vo. 6153 for $300 for Brandt Mint Charlotte contingencies
"	Do.	The Same	Acknowledging the receipt of the above
"	Treas.	Dr. J. W. Farnum New York 28	In reference to Clark and Pts ordered for Charlotte.

December 1848

4	From,	I. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	24	Enclosing a correspondence respecting loss by melting.
6	To,	I. W. Farnum New York		That we have procured the necessary bill for Charlotte here. (See Nov. 29)
7	From,	I. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	7	Enclosing a correspondence respecting little given Mexican dollars. Will forward us a part of the deposite in dispute.
"	To,	The Same		In answer to his Rec'd 4th & this morning. Enclosing to Dr. Macmurdo my a/c for 3 months ending 30 ult'o
8	From,	The Same	30	Informs me that they have not yet Rec'd from me an answer to his Communication disputing the dishonor of his Requisitions for Contingent expenses (See 18th & 24th ult'o) Statement of his liabilities and that he fears he may have to suspend operations.
"	From,	W. J. Alexander Sup Charlotte N.C.	2	Report for November & Treasury Warrant. Arrival of Assayers Rolls acknowledged.

December 1848

8	From,	I. F. Cooper Sup Oahlonega 2	Report for Nov. & Assay bars.	
"	To,	The Same	Acknowledg. the above & forwarding my ap. to 30 ult.	
"	To,	Wm. I. Alexander Esq Charlotte	Same purport.	
"	To,	I. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	Acknowledging his rec'd this morning & that I have written to the Secty	
"	To,	Sec. of Treasury Washington	Invoking his attention to the requisitions of Sup. at N. O. ~~& L~~	
"	To,	Chambers & White Charlotte	Bill of Ports for Charlotte.	
"	From,	Dr. I. W. Farnum New York 7	Respecting the Ports he had sent to Charlotte.	
12	From,	I. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans 4	Report for November & Assay bars with list, Their requisition for Contingent Moneys still unacknowledged	

13	From,	Hon R. J. Walker Sec. of Treasy Washington 12	(Private) That Dr Riddell has been removed from M. & R. Office at New Orleans, suggests a course I should take to bring a proposed nomination properly before the President
"	To,	The Same	Recommending Dr J. W. Farnum as M. & R. at New Orleans. Encloses a testimonial from Messrs. Eckfeldt & DuBois on Assayer A private letter on same subject – also as to the requisition for A. Q. unpaid.
14	To,	J. M. Kennedy Esqr New Orleans	Acknowledging his report & Assay Coins for November Also a confidential note on removal of Dr. R. & any recommendation of a successor; & on the withheld Requisitions
15	From,	The Same New Orleans 7	Not having yet received their moneys help that I will visit Washington & make further application for them. The steps taken in regard to the M. & R. will conduce to the interests of the Mint
"	To,	Sec. of Treasury	Begging him to inform me whether the moneys have been sent to N. O. referring to above letter

December 1848

16	From,	Dr. J. W. Farnum New York	15	Reporting the vacancy at N. O.
17	From,	Hon. Sec. of Treas'y Washington	16	Informing me that the warrant for N. O. Mint for $13,450.— had issued that day.
"	To,	I. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans		Giving him the contents of the above letter (no copy)
20	From,	J W Farnum New York	18	Giving copy of a letter he had recvd from Col Burton stating that his nomination had not yet been sent in
"	To,	Sec. of Treasury		Adverting to above imparts the importance of prompt action
"	To,	Dr. Farnum New York		~~State that I have written~~ to the Sec'y as above.
25	From,	J. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	14	Has recvd a letter from Sec. of Ty Removing Dr. J. L. Riddell. Explains what has been his action in the premises.

December 1848

26	Do,	J. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	Acknowledging the above. By that Mr. Bertrand (who has been appointed U. S. R.) will give security as soon as possible.

January 1849

1	Recd,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans	23	On the non-arrival of this draft for contingencies of the Cholera.
8	Recd,	The Same	29 Dec.	Informs me that Dr. Riddell has written to the Department asking the grounds of his removal.
9	Recd,	J. F. Cooper Sup Galveston	3	Report for Dec. 1848 & Assay Certs. Also statement of deposits &c. List of assay Certs for the year. Amount of Dep. Bull. for the year.
10	Recd,	J. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	4	By telegraph that "Mr. Borland declines the commission of Melter & Refiner, admitting all the qualifications of Dr. P. would not be preferable Solar is Fraribus on the ground of sectionalism" (!!)
"	Recd,	The Same	2	Report & list of assay Certs for Dec. (Certs not arrived)
"	Recd,	W. J. Alexander Sup Charlotte	4	Report & assay Certs for December 1848

January, 1849

4	From,	R. S. McCulloh Melter & Refiner		A communicating suggesting certain changes in the Melting & Refining department.
12	From,	Wm. P. Lander New York	10	Going to California. Wishes as a certificate that he worked in the Melting department in 1836
"	From,	S. P. Vinton Ch. Com. W. M. Washington	9	Inquiries upon a resolution referred to Comm. as to reducing size of cent, and carriage of 3 cent piece both of billon.
11	Do,	Sec. of Treasury Washington		Alluding to the declination by Mr. Bertrand of the Office of M. & R. at N. O. against urgs of Dr. Parmum upon the President.
13	From,	J. W. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	3	Communicating a request which had been entered upon the requisition book of the late M. & R. for a test furnace — for the information of his successor in office.
15	From,	The Same	5	Enclosing copy of a letter from Mr. Bertrand late appointed M. & R. in which he states his intention to decline the office. — Importance of having a successor immediately appointed.

Entered in the Book of Appointments

January, 1849

15	Ltr.	Sec. of Treasury		Communicating a copy of Mr. Bertrands letter with an extract from that of Mr. Kennedy. Pray to be informed as to the intentions as to a Successor.
"	Ltr.	I. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans		Acknowledg. the receipt of his telegraphic dispatch & the letter rec'd. this morning – with an account of my action upon them.
16	From,	A. D. Bache Washington	15	Encloses a letter he had rec'd from Dr. Riddell, late M. & R. R. Orleans, enlarging upon his an unmerited persecutions & the great merits of his brother.
"	Ltr.	The Same		His only proper answer to Dr. R. is to state his ignorance of the case. Explain why Dr. R was Removed.
17	From,	I. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	6	Informs me of the final settlement of Dr. Riddells affs and of the course which had been taken by him (the Sup.) with regard to the workmen in the M. & R. department and the reasons therefor.

January, 1849

20	Treas.	J. M. Kennedy Esq. New Orleans	Encloses the affs of the Treasurer with the bonds & late M. & Reports; with information as to the course to be taken with the Sweeps.
26	Do.	Hon. R. J. Walker Sec. of Treasury Washington	Entreating his attention to the necessity of supplying the vacancy in the office of Mint at New Orleans.

February, 1849

1	From,	Hon. R. J. Walker Sec. of Treasy Washington 29 Jan	Resp. the M. & R. ship at N.O. Had recommended my nominee, but the Louisiana Delegation were all against him.
7	From,	J. F. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega Ga 1	Report for January, with assay coins viz. 3½ Eagles = $15. Have no intelligence of distilled nitric acid sent to them.
8	From,	Dr. Caleb G. Forshey New Orleans 29 Jan	That he is a candidate for M. & R. ship at N.O. Makes references as to his fitness and asks me to inquire upon the subject & if I think well of them to write to Hon Henry Johnson, Washington
"	To,	The Same	That the office being now filled by a gentleman I believe qualified it would be improper in me to take the action Requested.
10	From,	W. J. Alexander, Sup (pro tem. F. Strange) Charlotte N.C. 3	Report for January and assay coins 8½ E. = $40
"	To,	The Same	Acknowledging the above.

February 1849

14	P.	W. A. Alexander Esq Charlotte	Communicating results of the annual assay
"	P.	Jas. F. Cooper Esq Salisbury	Ditto
"	P.	J. M. Kennedy Esq New Orleans	Ditto
17	From	M. F. Bonzano New Orleans	Announcing the receipt of his commission as M. & R. his acceptance & that his bond will be speedily forwarded
19	From	J. M. Kennedy Esq New Orleans	Enclosing Penal bond and oath of Maximilian Ferdinand Bonzano Melter & Refiner New Orleans Sureties Joseph Raw Charles Maes $10,000.
19	P.	Sec. of Treasury	Enclosing the bond & oath with certificate of my approval
"	P.	J. M. Kennedy Esq New Orleans	By telegraph that I have approved the bond & sent it to Washington

February, 1849

20	Ps,	J. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans		Acknowledging his rec? yesterday with enclosures, announce my approval &c.
26	Trans,	The Same	17	Communicate an order from the Sec? of Treas? that he should report to me forthwith at Philad (private note enclosed)
27	Trans,	J. F. Cooper Sup Dahlonega	22	Enclosing official bond of J. D. Field ? Commr given on his confirmation by the Senate
"	Ps,	Hon. R. J. Walker Sec. Treas Washington		Enclosing the bond with my approval.

March 1849

1	From,	Hon. J. W. Jones Washington	26	(with a P.S. from Mr. Sayre) Inquiring the amount of Scrip given by the Superintendent at Oaklonga
"	Do,	The Same		Giving the desired information.
6	From,	Robert Tyler Shel.	6	Asks me to give my opinion (by direction) upon the qualifications of J. R. Cooper Sup at Oaklonega, as an attempt will be made (for political origin) to remove him.
"	Do,	The Same		That I would gladly state officially, to Mr. Cooper's merits if called on by the President & Secretary, but deem it improper otherwise.
8	From,	J. M. Kennedy Sup Washington	6	Announces his arrival at Washington (See 26 ult.) Reporting the efforts made for his removal.
9	From,	W. J. Alexander Sup Charlotte	3	Report & Assay Coins for February
"	From,	J. R. Cooper Sup Oaklonega	1	Ditto. Also respecting his probable Removal from office.

March 1849

10	Ltr,	J. R. Macmurdo Treas. U. M. New Orleans	Enclosing my a/c and ing 28th ults.
"	Ltr,	Co. J. Alexander Sup Charlotte N. C.	Same letter – acknowledg ing also his with report & assay coins. Respecting Stone pans
"	Ltr,	J. F. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega	A/c enclosed – his report & assay coins acknowledged. Respecting the acid. Private P. S.
21	Rem,	J. R. Macmurdo, Trs New Orleans 12	On the improved quality of mexican dollars as reported since the introduction into Office of the new M. & R.
13	Rem,	J. M. Kennedy Sup N. Orleans	A personal visit. Gives a letter from Dr Bowyard ordering acids & crucibles
23	Ltr,	Chamberlain & White Charleston	B. of Lg for Stoneware to Charlotte & acid to Dahlonega
26	Rem,	J. R. Macmurdo Treas. New Orleans 16	Reports improvement in the titles reported for gold deposites.

March 1849

28	Do,	Jos. M. Kennedy Supt New Orleans	Instructions relating to the introduction of the double-eagle & gold dollar coinage Abs. bills of lading for a cask of crucibles & 25 carboys acid
"	Do,	Jas. F. Cooper, Supt Dahlonega Ga	Instructions as to introducing the gold-dollar coinage
"	Do,	W. J. Alexander Supt Charlotte N.C	Same tenor
31	From,	W. F. Hort acty Supt New Orleans 21	Enclosing reports of deposites made in Jan. & Feb. with reasons for the delay
"	From,	J. M. Kennedy, Supt Washington 30	Respecting some alterations which he had requested permission of the Secretary to make in the premises occupied by him at the Mint
	From,	Wm. M. & Refiners & Assayers	Suggestions by the Melter & comments by the Assayer on a reorganization of the Melting Department (See U.S. M. Book)

April 1849

3	From,	Chambers & White Charleston S.C. 30 Mar.	Respecting the carboy which had not reached Dahlonega, and sent to Charlotte by mistake, no bills of lading having been received
5	From,	Sec. of Treasury Washington 4	Enclosing letter of Mr. Kendall respecting the alteration proposed by him in his mint Rendered. Asks my opinion.
"	To,	The Same	Reply that I do not think the change unobjectionable, if the estimated expenses be not exceeded.
9	From,	J. F. Cooper Sup Dahlonega 3	Report & Assay Coins for April
"	From,	M. J. Alexander Sup per W. P. Grange. Charlotte 3	Ditto. Account of defacement of dies. Ordered for M. M. & assays, emeritts, fire clay & scales. Will send $300 about middle of May.
11	From,	J. L. Riddell, late M. & R. New Orleans Mar 31	Requests to know of me the reasons for his removal, having failed to hear the same from Mr. Walker, late S. of Tr.

April 1849

12	From,	Wm. P. Hunt acty Sup New Orleans 4	Reports for March & May Coins
14	From,	The Same	Ack knowledgment of mine of 28th relative to intercoinage the new coinage of Gold dollars & double eagles.
20	From,	W. J. Alexander, Sup Charlotte N.C.	In reply to my instructions in regard to preparing for the coinage of the gold dollars. Requests certain articles
23	To,	Chambers Abbott Charleston	B. L. for 13 casks and for Charlotte, (12 part. 1 assay)
27	From,	Wm Kennedy Sup New Orleans 19	Enclosing a list of articles required for the U. S. M.

May 1849

2	D.	W. J. Alexander Sup Charlotte	Reply to his rec'd. 9th & 20th. The articles have been sent or will be.
1	Del	Chamberlain & White Charleston S.C.	B/L of 1 cask counter, 12 pieces for Charlotte.
7	From,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup N. Orleans	Thanking me for my letter to the Secy of the 5th ult. &c
"	From,	W. J. Alexander Sup Charlotte N. C.	Report for April & Assay C.'s.
8	From,	J. F. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega 3	Ditto. Reporting the melting of new Dollar pieces. — asks a supply of Assay Leads.
"	D.	The Same	Acknowledg. the above. We will send the mill Leads.
11	D.	J. M. Kennedy, Sup N. Orleans	Answer to his rec'd. 7
"	From,	The Same 3	With report of Assay & delivery of Coinage of April. List of Assay Coins & box containing the same
"	D.	The Same	Queries, in view of changes in our tariff for fineness.

May, 1849

11	Ltr,	J. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	Acknowledging report & cons. of Dr Bonzano's ordr, rec'd 27 ap. Delay it to be replenished in funds. Of scale for D.B. ask amount of Calif'a Gold rec'd by them
14	Ltr,	The Same	Report of dies defaced.
22	Ltr,	Jas. T. Cooper Sup Darlington W. J. Alexander, Sup Charlotte N.C.	Inquiries in view of changing our tariff of Mint Charges.
23	Ltr,	Sec. of Treas'y Washington 21	That a draft for $300 in my favor has been ordered on request of Sup.t at Charlotte.
"	Ltr,	W. J. Alexander Sup Charlotte 17	That Dr Gibbon wishes 2 of 1 millieme weight for gold.
24	Ltr,	W. Selden, Treas. Washington 23	Enclosing draft of $300 for B. M. Charlotte.
"	Ltr,	The Same	A receipt for the above

May, 1849

24 Do,

W. J. Alexander, Esqr
Charlotte

Acknowledging his f 1st & 17th. Respecting the millions weights — and the balance for U. S. & R. Acknowledging receipt of $300 from Treas. U. S. — Gold dollar dies to be sent in a few days — other articles for that Coinage already sent

June 1849

1	From,	J. McKennay; Sup New Orleans	23d	In reply to mine of 11th respecting cost of acids & assay of California gold
2	To,	The Same		In reference to the new depositories of deposits to be introduced, also that I send by mail 1 pr. gold dollar dies Box No. 42 sent same day
5	To,	The Same		Box No. 43 Gold dollar dies
6	From,	W. J. Alexander Charlotte	31 May	In reply to mine of 22d & 24th. Have resaid the acid & spts but none of the articles for gold dollar or dies. Cannot at present purchase a scale. Report & Coins for May.
"	To,	A. F. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega		That the articles requisite for Gold dollar coinage have been sent by Steamship Columbus to Charleston; that we send dies also send myself for first quarter Box No. 7 sent same day
"	From,	The Same	2	Report & Assay Coins for May; also replies to mine of 22d.
"	To,	Chambers & Watts		Bill of Lading & Particulars for Charlotte & Dahlonega

June 1849

7	L.,	J. F. Coopn Sup Dahlonega	Dallas Dees No. 8
11	From,	Jn. Kennedy Sup Orleans 3	Report & Assayers fruitlay
"	L.,	W. J. Alexander Charlotte N.C.	Acknowledging his report & asys & That we Sent 1 pr. gold dollar dies – another to morrow. Also forward my account ending 31st ult. Dollar dies No. 7 Sent
"	L.,	Jas. F. Coopn Sup Dahlonega	Enclosing the vouchers omitted when Sending the account on the 6th
12	From,	The Same 7	Requesting a Screwplate
13	L.,	W. J. Alexander Sup Charlotte	Sending dollar dees No. 8.
14	L.,	J. Jn. Kennedy Sup New Orleans	Sending the new tariff to go into operation on June 1st; also the Assayer report accompanying the same, to be Returned; and pamphlet from the Mint at Paris. Also to the Treasurer, N.O., my a/c for quarter ending 31st ults.

June 1849

19	Do,	The Same	Send samples of our new form of assay report & register — to be introduced or not at his discretion.
25	From,	J. F. Cooper Sup Dahlonega 16	Acknowledg's the Order dis'g of my account. Asks for 200 lbs of copper for alloy.
"	From,	D. J. H. Gibbon Assayer Charlotte 19	Requests leave of absence for reasons given.
"	To,	The Same	That the auth'y for his absence & the necessary suspension must come from the Secretary of the Treas'y

July 1849.

7	From,	Secy of Treasy	Enclosing and application from the Officers & workmen of Charlotte Mint for suspension of operations during the sickly season. Asks my opinion
"	Do,	The Same	See no objection
9	From,	B. J. Alexander for W. P. Strange Charlotte 3d	Report & assay bars for June. Sends 2 gold dollars for inspection
"	Do,	The Same	Acknowl. Send some criticisms on the dollar pieces sent; also two of our own coinage in return Forward dollar dies – 2 tails Box No. 9.
"	From,	J. P. Cooper, Sup Dahlonega Ga 3	Report & assay bars for June. Of them presses towards the coinage of gold dollars.
14	From,	J. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans June 30	Being about to paint & repair the Mint, a suspension will be necessary. Asks me to procure permission from the Secy if necessary. Anticipating no objection has directed deposites to be declined

July 1849

10	Do,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans	I cannot give permission of my own authority, and not seeing the force of the grounds of suspension cannot make the application required.
12	From,	The Same	Report & Acknowledges Journals for June. Acknowledges 3 Fr. gred dollar dies. Asks for double edge dies
18	Do,	The Same	Acknowledging the above. The double edge dies are in the hands of the engraver and are progressing very slowly
20	From,	Jas. F. Cooper, Sup Mobile 12	Reports first coinage of gred-dollars and Sends specimens—2 dollar pieces. Of weights for the same. Refers to his removal from office
4	Do,	The Same	Respecting the dollars sent their faults & the means of improvement. Will send balance of weights Refers to his removal. Sends 2 gred dollars in payment.
21	From,	J. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans 13	Returning the Messages Report on New tariff.

August 1849

3	From,	J. M. Kennedy Sup New Orleans		That Mr. Macmurdo had that morning tendered to him his resignation as Purs. B. M. N. Orleans
"	To,	Hon. W. M. Meredith Sec. of Treas Washington		Sending a copy of the above; stating that I know nothing more of the case than is conveyed in Mr. Kennedy's letter
8	From,	The Same	6	Enclosing a letter from Mr. Kennedy, with statements from the Officers, forwarding an application for a 6 months suspension of his suits: asks my views
"	To,	The Same		Think the suspension will not be detrimental & sh^d be granted.
11	From,	The Same (by mistake)		Sends me a letter directed to Sup. N. O. authorising the suspension. I send it to Mr. Kennedy.

August 1849

11	From,	Jas. W. Osborne, Supt. Charlotte N. C. 4	Announces his appointt. as Supt. & sends report of deposits & coinage for July & of Coin issued. Will be grateful to be communicated freely &c. &c
"	From,	Jas. F. Cooper, Sup. Oakhlinegn 4	Report & Assay bars for July. Mr. Stevenson has arrived & will speedily enter upon his official duties. Gold there was no list of the Coin issued
"	To,	Sec. of Treasury	Acknowledg? the letter directed to me by mistake for Mr. Kennedy, and states that I have forwarded the same. Calls attention to the fact of Mr. Osborne making an official announcm? to me though his bond has not to my knowledge been given though required to be executed by me.
16	From,	A. M. Kennedy, Sup. New Orleans 8	Report for July with list of issues Coins; also 20 gold dollars Box of Coins arrived same day
17	To,	The Same	Acknowledg's the abv. Requests a Statement of the Coins coined for 1850; also if he can name any responsible person who will be able to take charge of them.

August 1849

17	From,	A. W. Redding, Sup. Dahlonega	10	Enclosing his bond & oath on entering upon office as Sup.t of the B.M. Dahlonega
"	To,	The Same		Reqst that some gentlemen of reputation may certify to me the responsibility of his Sureties before I can approve the bond.
21	From,	E. Whittlesey, Compt.r Washington	20	Enclosing bond of J.W. Osborn as Supt at Charlotte for my approval
"	To,	The Same		Approving Mr. Osborn's bond & returning the same.
22	From,	J. W. Osborne, Sup. Charlotte per Wm. Strange	16	Reqst to 16 Ag. and assigning reserved — the quarters being suspended from that day to 1st October by permission of Sec. of Treasy
24	To,	The Same		Acknowledging the above and his rec.d 11th. State on default arising from his bond not having been sent to me in the first instance.

September, 1849

1	From,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans 23 Aug.	That he has requested a draft of $1000 to be forwarded to me, and asks that we fulfil certain orders mentioned in the letter
3	From,	A. W. Redding, Sup Dahlonega Aug 25	Enclosing the statements required in my letter of 17 ult.
"	To,	Sec. of Treasury	Enclosing Mr. Reddings bond approved by me, with the endorsement sent by him. Sureties Jarrell Beasley & Bond $10,000 J. W. Grady
"	To,	A. W. Redding, Sup Dahlonega	That I have approved his bond.
"	From,	Sec'y of Treasury 1st	That the draft of $1000 requested by Mr. Kennedy (see 1st.) has been ordered.
5	From,	M. Selden, Treas. U. S. Washington 4	Enclosing the draft above noticed.
"	To,	The Same	Receipt for the above.

September 1849

7	To,	A. W. Redding, Sup Dahlonega Ga		Request estimate for annual appropriation commencing 1st July 1850. Also ask for list of the July Assay Coins Forward any af for quarter ending 31st ult.
"	To,	J. W. Osborne, Sup Charlotte N.C.		Ask for Estimates & forward any af
"	To,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans		Same tenor.
10	From,	The Same	2	Report for August & box of assay Coins & Bullion list.
"	From,	J. P. Cooper Dahlonega		Bullion. Also asks for assay bars & Instruction ordered 8th Mar (Sent at once by Adams Ex.)
13	From,	J. M. Kennedy, Sup New Orleans	33 Dy	Handed by Mr Brooks, Coiner, absent on leave. Mr B. proposes to procure a milling machine, and to take charge of the dies on his return.

-ling to contain Assay Coins from Charlotte

Charlotte	#40.	Wm E Du Bois
Dahlonega	15	Wm E Du Bois
New Orleans	16.50	J. R Eckfeldt
Dahlonega	30	J. R Eckfeldt
Charlotte	20	J. R Eckfeldt
Dahlonega	47.50	J. R Eckfeldt
Charlotte	40.—	J. R Eckfeldt
Charlotte	80.—	J. R Eckfeldt
Dahlonega	35.—	J. R Eckfeldt
New Orleans	76.10	Wm E. Du Bois
Charlotte	20.—	Wm E. Du Bois
Dahlonega	70.—	Wm E Du Bois
New Orleans	96.10	Wm E Du Bois
Charlotte	40.	J. R Eckfeldt
Dahlonega	35.	J. R Eckfeldt
New Orleans	79.—	Wm E. Du Bois
Charlotte	24.—	J. R Eckfeldt
Dahlonega	39.—	J. R Eckfeldt
N. Orleans	114.—	J. R Eckfeldt
Charlotte	44.—	Wm E. Du Bois
Dahlonega	72.—	Wm E. Du Bois
N. Orleans	160.—	Wm E. Du Bois
Dahlonega	54.—	J. R Eckfeldt
New Orleans	4.00	J. R Eckfeldt
Charlotte	40.—	W E Du Bois
Dahlonega	73.—	W E Du Bois
Charlotte	40.—	W E Du Bois
Dahlonega	30.—	W E Du Bois
N. Orleans	123.—	W E Du Bois
Dahlonega	52.—	W E Du Bois
N. Orleans	25.20	W E Du Bois
Charlotte	60.—	W E Du Bois

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